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21 June 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell (part of meeting), Mr. Bissell,
Mr. Amory, Colonel White, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms,
Mr. Barnes, Mr. Sheldon (part of meeting), Mr. Kent,

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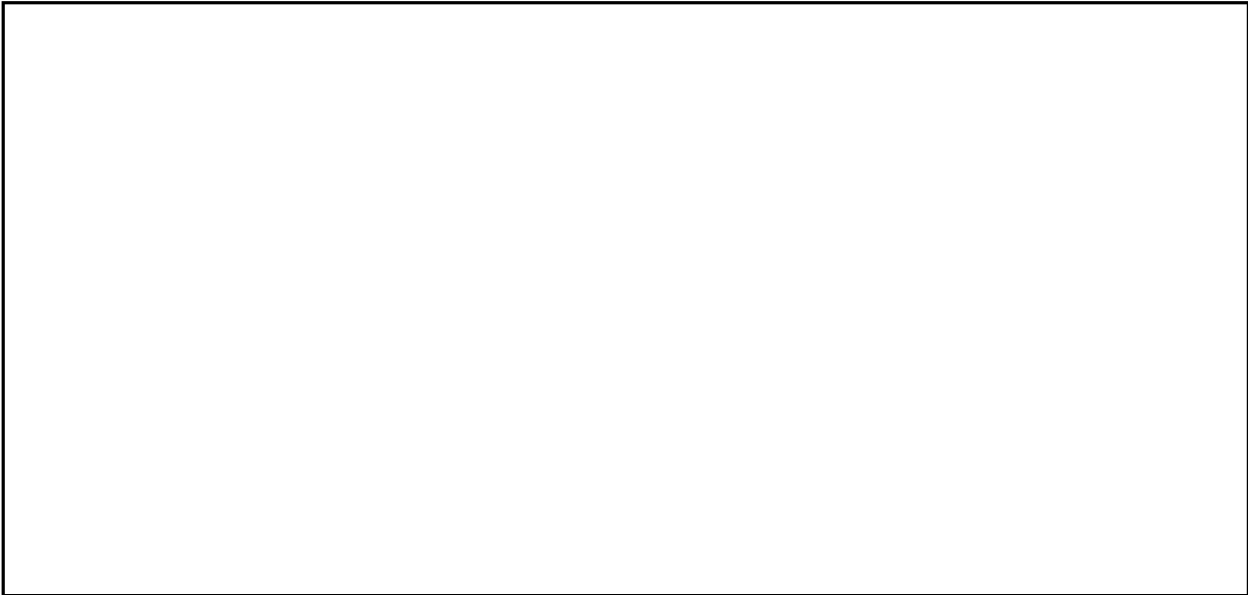
MR. DULLES:

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b. Noted a memorandum from [REDACTED] regarding State Department communications, and commented that he fully understood the Department's desire to increase the speed and efficiency of its communications system and made it clear that the Agency would fully cooperate in assisting State in this matter. It was pointed out that at the moment the problem of State communications is being discussed at the highest level in the Department and it would appear that the technicians have not yet had an opportunity to express their views. After some discussion it was agreed that the best way to handle this matter would be for the Director to offer a proposed solution to the Department in a letter from the Director to the Secretary of State. Action: DD/S and DD/P. Mr. Bissell suggested that a copy of any such letter should be furnished to the Bureau of the Budget and the Director concurred.

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e. Asked if CIA had any connection whatsoever with the current
[redacted] spy case ([redacted]) and was advised by Mr. Helms that
this Agency was not involved. Mr. Helms said in fact we were not
consulted in any way, shape, or form, and the only connection we had
was to make [redacted] available to the FBI on two occasions for an
attempt [redacted]

GENERAL CABELL:

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MR. BISSELL:


25X1 a. Noted [] had prepared a memorandum regarding CIA problems in the cover field, and suggested that this might be an item for discussion with the Killian Committee. The Director made it clear that we should not ask the Committee for an endorsement since obtaining cover is the Agency's responsibility. However, the Committee should be acquainted with the attitude of other Government agencies' reluctance in providing official cover.

b. Noted that at the "Tuesday Luncheon" the subject of State obtaining views from CIA on policy was discussed (as raised by Mr. Sheldon at the Deputies' Meeting on 14 June) and noted Mr. Bundy had gone after McGhee of State rather hard on this matter. He said he and Mr. Amory had agreed that when individual requests are received from the Department for comment on policy, such requests will be pulled together in order to ensure that a coordinated Agency view is furnished. He also said that the matter of getting estimative information cranked into task forces had been raised -- and no satisfactory solution had been reached. He commented that Mr. McGhee had stated he saw no reason why it is necessary to go outside of the Department for intelligence support since Mr. Hilsman had "600 people" in his office who should be able to furnish such support as required. Mr. Amory

stated he is planning to see Roger Hilsman today about this matter along the lines recommended by Dr. Kent at the Deputies' Meeting on 14 June.

COLONEL WHITE:

Referred to Mr. Kirkpatrick's memorandum regarding preparations for the Director's appearance before the Killian Committee, and asked to whom the responses should be sent. The Director delegated the IG and noted he wanted to talk to Mr. Kirkpatrick from time to time as these responses are received.


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